



TWO NEW Newly elected City Councilmembers Kimberley White and Meredith Matthews are sworn in by City Clerk Bridget Dory, above. Below, smiles were abundant after the two signed the official paperwork. PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION



❖ **ARCATA CITY COUNCIL**

Matthews, White herald new era

Kevin L. Hoover
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ARCATA – Newly elected City Councilmembers Kimberley White and Meredith Matthews were sworn in Wednesday night, ending the term of Councilmember Brett Watson and giving Arcata its first all-woman City Council. Watson wasn't present for the swear-in, and peripatetic Councilmember Alex Stillman participated remotely by phone.

City Clerk Bridget Dory administered the oath of office, with White and Matthews then signing official documents. With brisk but cheery efficiency, the new council went on to elect its officers. Mayor Stacy Atkins-Salazar nominated Vice Mayor Sarah Schaefer to be mayor, the motion was seconded by Matthews, and the ex-mayor and her replacement then swapped seats at the council dais.

Former Vice Mayor Schaefer nominated Matthews for vice mayor, seconded by White in her first official act as a councilmember. The council then doled out liaison assignments for representing the city at various regional boards and other bodies.

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PRESENT-TATION In keeping with tradition, Arcata City Hall staff last week donated Christmas presents to Northcoast Children's Services for distribution to local families and children in need.

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Arcata Fire: mistake-riddled Craftsman DEIR glosses over deep challenges to fire response

Sloppy doc gets AFD's name, capabilities wrong

Jack Durham
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ARCATA – If a fire breaks out in one of the two seven-story-tall buildings that Cal Poly Humboldt plans to construct at the Craftsman's Mall site, the Arcata Fire District will not have adequate staffing or equipment to rescue those inside.

This stark admission of the fire district's lack of resources was included in a letter submitted by AFD to Cal Poly Humboldt in response to its draft environmental impact report (DEIR) on the student housing project.

Cal Poly Humboldt has selected



TOWERING CHALLENGES A rendering of Cal Poly's future Craftsman's Student Housing, looking south at the Building's main entrance. VIA CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

Sundt Construction to design and build the \$150 million project, which would be located at the Craftsman's Mall, which is near St. Louis Road

and west of U.S. Highway 101 in Arcata. The 12.8-acre site would be developed with two seven-story tall

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Setbacks sink canna-hub

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

MANILA – A proposal to build an indoor and mixed light cannabis cultivation and support services hub at the former Sierra Pacific lumber mill site appears undoable because of a county rule on tribal area setbacks.

Tribal cultural resources protection came under debate at the Dec. 13 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Weighing disagreement between two tribes, the board

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TAKING THE OATH From left, David Couch, Dennis Mayo and James Biteman are sworn into office at the Dec. 7 meeting of the McKinleyville Community Services District. They join directors Scott Binder and Greg Orsini on the five-member board, which oversees sewer, water, street lights, open space maintenance, parks and recreation in the unincorporated community.

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Tuesday, Dec. 13	00.00	10.03	09.27	10.53
Wednesday, Dec. 14	00.00	10.03	09.30	10.80
Thursday, Dec. 15	00.00	10.03	09.84	11.07
Friday, Dec. 16	00.00	10.03	09.95	11.35
Saturday, Dec. 17	00.00	10.03	09.95	11.63

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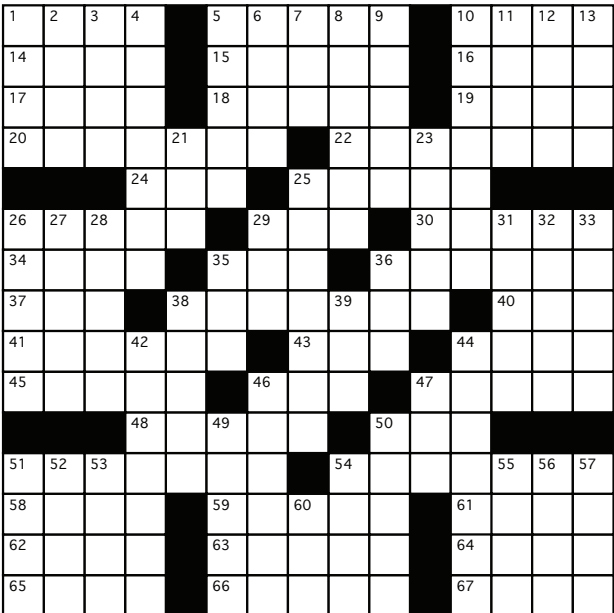
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ACROSS

1. Stinging insect
5. Pie bottom
10. Male animal
14. Parts of intestines
15. Allude
16. Sticky strip
17. Stalk
18. Revere
19. Actress Moran
20. Tam features
22. Noble
24. Vocalized pauses
25. Religious article
26. British metric unit
29. Poet's contraction
30. Narrow candle
34. Bustles
35. Forerunners of esses
36. Read
37. ___ favor; please: Sp.
38. Foot problem
40. Mailman's beat: abbr.
41. Part of the foot
43. Suffix for class or cheer
44. Eyes
45. Simple seat
46. Word with Red or White
47. Cubic meter
48. City in Italy
50. Brief life history
51. Unusual
54. Heavy, prolonged attack
58. Sandwich cookie
59. More positive
61. White beverage
62. Ludicrous
63. Exchange
64. Ms. Adams
65. Some football players
66. Unkind expression
67. High society misses

DOWN

1. Thin strand
2. Singing voice
3. Appear
4. New parents' purchase
5. Stuffs
6. Ohio athletes
7. Rare sighting, for short
8. Strong fabrics
9. ___ water; keep afloat
10. Outstanding
11. Place where 27 Down was spoken
12. Neat as ___
13. Mannerly man
21. Gold or copper
23. In a while
25. Rural church
26. ___ lazuli
27. "Frankly, my dear, ____"
28. Incomplete sculpture
29. Prefix for pod or cycle
31. Make baby food
32. Organic compound
33. Pee Wee ___
35. Mont Blanc, for one
36. ___ person; apiece
38. Misrepresent
39. John Ritter's dad
42. Old word for athletic girls
44. Raged
46. Celestial body
47. Dignified title
49. Continues
50. Plainier
51. Leak
52. Actress Drescher
53. ___ off; resist
54. Venerable historian
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56. Insincerely smooth
57. ___ out a living; gets by
60. Actress Charlotte ___



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- Visit Santa Claus beneath the Grand Tree at Jacoby's Storehouse Saturday, Dec. 17, 2 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 18, 2:30 to 5 p.m.; and Friday, Dec. 22, noon to 3 p.m.
- Last Minute Shopping Party on Saturday, Dec. 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. with Music & Snow Party.

MASS IN TRINIDAD

Christmas Eve Mass will be given at the 1873 Holy Trinity Church at the corner of Hector and Parker streets on Christmas Eve at 6:30 p.m. Nancy and Tom Sheen, who spend quantities of time lovingly restoring and maintaining Trinidad's oldest building, invite inquiries about the service at tnsheen@gmail.com.

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CRTP'S TRANSPORT CHAMPS
Alexis Kelso and Joseph Caminiti.
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COALITION FOR RESPONSIBLE TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES

HUMBOLDT — The Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities (CRTP) has named Alexis Kelso, Joseph Caminiti, and Jerome Qiriazzi the 2022 North Coast Responsible Transportation Champions. Kelso is the Caltrans District 1 Complete Streets advisor and Caminiti is the District 1 Complete Streets coordinator. Qiriazzi currently serves as the transit planner for the Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA).

The annual North Coast Responsible Transportation Champion award is given to leaders who further CRTP's mission of "promoting transportation solutions that protect and support a healthy environment, healthy people, healthy communities and a healthy economy on the North Coast." Past recipients include State Sen. Mike McGuire, former McKinleyville Community Services District Director Mary Burke, former Humboldt County Association of Governments Executive Director Marcella

May, and Humboldt Transit Authority General Manager Greg Pratt.

Kelso and Caminiti are being recognized for their leadership of the Caltrans District 1 Complete Streets team. Qiriazzi is being recognized for his pivotal role in the development of the Eureka Regional Transit and Housing Center, or EARTH Center.

Alexis Kelso and Joseph Caminiti

"CRTP was founded in 2015 by environmental advocates, many of whom had fought with Caltrans for years. It is a testament to the success of Alexis and Joseph and their colleagues that CRTP and Caltrans are now partners in the agency's efforts to redesign many of our state highways to better serve people walking, biking, rolling and riding the bus. District 1 has adopted an Active Transportation Plan, invited stakeholders like CRTP to participate in planning significant safety improvements on Broadway, and convened a Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee to provide input on future plans and projects. This remarkable turnaround wouldn't have happened without the consistent dedication and leadership of Alexis Kelso and Joseph Caminiti. They both deserve the title of Responsible Transportation Champion," said Colin Fiske, CRTP executive director.

"Caltrans is committed to providing a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. As your District 1 Complete Streets advisor and coor-

dinator, we are thankful to work every day with people inside and outside Caltrans to plan and deliver high-quality projects like Broadway Complete Streets and the Annie & Mary Trail Phase 2. The CRTP is a strong supporter of safe and sustainable transportation. We want to thank them and our other external partners for continuing to participate in and provide their perspectives on Caltrans activities," stated Kelso and Caminiti.

Jerome Qiriazzi

"Jerome has had a big impact on a lot of important plans and projects, including the regional Climate Action Plan, which when implemented will help create low-carbon, healthy transportation systems throughout Humboldt County. Jerome currently serves our community as Humboldt Transit Authority's transit planner, and this year we are honoring him for the role he has played in planning, designing and securing funding for Eureka's downtown EARTH Center. This project is key to the transformation of local transit into a high-functioning, zero-emission system, and Jerome is a big part of the reason it's happening. Jerome is truly a Responsible Transportation Champion," Fiske said.

"I'm ecstatic to be a part of this effort to elevate public transit service and support the City of Eureka and the County in achieving a long-awaited and overdue critical public facility," Qiriazzi said. "The EARTH Center will coalesce and centralize the myriad public and private mobility services in our County, increase access to sustainable and healthy transportation options, and support the exciting population and economic growth that we expect over the next few decades. This project would not have been possible without the leading role that Humboldt Transit Authority has taken in securing funding, the tireless support of the City of Eureka, the dedication of the Schatz Energy Research Center, the guidance and support of Cal Poly Humboldt, and the critical partnerships with Servitas, SmithGroup and Creative Inclusion. I'm honored to receive this award on behalf of the entire project team and look forward to keeping us on track for a grand opening in Summer of 2026."

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CHRISTMAS ON THE RAILS



CHOO-CHOO SANTA Kids and grownups alike mingled with mighty locomotives at "Santa, Trains & Candy Canes" Sunday, Dec. 11 at the Samoa Roundhouse. The free, Timber Heritage Association event drew 500 rail fans who enjoyed music, vendors, cookie decorating, hot chocolate and more. timberheritage.org PHOTOS BY MOONLIGHT MACUMBER | UNION

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The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (MMAC) is reviewing a revised Town Center Ordinance. Join us to share your thoughts! Please visit the McKinleyville Town Center Master Plan web page to learn more about the project and how to participate:

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CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata’s Environmental Services Department encourages all community members to consider going zero waste when planning their holiday celebrations. Between Thanksgiving and the New Year, Americans throw away 25 percent more waste than any other time of year, adding up to 25 million extra tons of garbage in the United States.

To keep the holiday season merry for the environment, the City’s Environmental Services Department has some tips on how to reduce holiday waste.

1. Give gifts which can be distributed without excess wrapping like homemade gifts, the gift of a home-cooked meal or a massage.
2. Give “experience” gifts like concert tickets, a spa package or yoga classes. Arcata Recreation offers several activity classes for children and teens that would make wonderful holiday gifts.
3. High quality reusable bags, lunch kits and water bottles make wonderful gifts and will help loved ones stylishly eliminate disposables from their lives. Stainless steel water bottles can even be purchased from the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center.
4. Purchase carbon offset gifts from the Arcata Community Forest. For just \$17 per metric ton, it is possible to offset a loved one’s holiday travel by helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Purchase forms are available at cityofarcata.org/190/City-Forests or call the Environmental Services Department at (707) 822-8184 for more information.
5. Support the local economy by buying from local merchants and businesses.
6. Consider shopping at thrift stores to find unique, gently used gifts and gift containers.
7. Use reusable gift bags and baskets as a replacement for wrapping paper. Send e-Cards and e-Newsletters to help save on postage and paper waste.
8. When hosting a holiday party be sure to get a good headcount to carefully plan all meals to help reduce food waste. Most food waste can be composted if it is not meat, bones or fat. Serve food on re-usable plates and utensils, ask guests to bring reusable containers for leftovers and have a stash of re-usable containers on hand in case they forget.
9. Minimize food waste by saving holiday meal leftovers and by composting food scraps while cooking. With proof of residency, Arcata residents may purchase an outdoor compost bin for the discounted price of \$35 from the Environmental Services Department. Email eservices@cityofarcata.org or call (707) 822-8184 to learn more.
10. Put your Christmas lights on timers for energy savings and peace of mind while you are away.
11. Broken, old or outdated incandescent and LED holiday lights can be recycled by mailing them to any of the addresses below:
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Sweet relief

The evening marked the end of what for councilmembers and city staff had become a kind of living nightmare, with Watson’s unpredictable, sometimes abusive actions on and off the dais inserting tension and drama into council proceedings.

Even individuals who might be described as consummate Arcata insiders had wondered whether Watson’s allying himself with those disgruntled with the council and city policies – from the Gateway Area Plan (GAP) to the Old Arcata Road Rehabilitation and Pedestrian/Bike-way Improvement Project – could marshal enough support for him to pull out a victory, despite what appeared to be widespread disapproval.

“Could he *win*?” was a question voiced on several occasions.

Concern that his populist tactics could gain purchase deepened when one of Watson’s most vocal and frequent critics, GAP activist Dan Bixler, in August made a statement on Facebook indicating that his anathema for the “A\$%hole” Watson took a back seat to the “central issue” of cementing opposition to the current GAP on the council.

While it seemed unlikely, the prospect of Watson’s extreme behavior being affirmed by voters had led some personnel to consider moving on as increasing unease permeated City Hall, degrading employees’ work lives. That could have worsened the present staffing situation at the City of Arcata, in which several key positions are vacant.

“If he gets re-elected, I won’t be the only staff member quitting,” one city professional had stated before the election.

But it was not to be. Watson finished fourth in a field of six, with Matthews and White each garnering more than four times as many votes as him.

Watson has claimed that he suffers discrimination and even mockery from colleagues and news reporters for his cognitive disabilities, and insists that concern about his behavior is overblown and unfounded.

Citing a variety of medical issues affecting himself and his mother, Watson didn’t attend any post-election council meetings, to no one’s expressed dismay. He’d attended the Nov. 2 meeting by phone because his pet rabbits were giving birth.

In a statement Dec. 7, Watson said, “On the advice of my doctor, I’ve taken leave from the City for health reasons beginning on November 8th. My mother also requires a kidney transplant and shes asked me to be a donor, so I’m also helping her with that.”

After the election, Watson confirmed that he had placed a since-deleted employment ad on Craigslist, which advertised a 10- to 20-hour a week position at a \$15 to \$20 hourly rate. Watson operates a hemp-wick business, and has stated his intention to found a publicly-owned newspaper not tainted by advertising.

His employee, who would be required

to sign a non-disclosure agreement, would do “filing, email, customer service, social media, running errands, packaging small items, and other misc.,” the ad said. “Sometimes I just want you to be available and I’ll pay you for hanging out in case I need you.”

In with the new

Meanwhile, City Councilmembers were more than ready to move on and get things done, unencumbered by Watson’s time- and energy-sucking antics.

“I am excited to serve in this capacity and keep giving back to my beloved community,” said Mayor Schaefer. “I am also looking forward to our powerhouse all-female council and to continue to serve with Meredith and to welcome and be able to serve with Kimberley.”

Matthews recognized former Mayor Stacy Atkins-Salazar “for her calm, assured leadership for the last year and a half. She navigated us through some challenging times. I learned a lot from watching her.”

Continued Matthews, “I’m so proud and excited to serve with these strong, capable women, and I’m really looking forward to some bold action this year.”

City news releases, unedited

CITY OF ARCATA SWEARS IN NEW COUNCILMEMBERS AND APPOINTS NEW MAYOR AND VICE-MAYOR

Arcata, CA, December 16, 2022 – At a special meeting on Thursday, Dec. 15, Arcata City Council’s recently- elected Councilmembers Kimberley White and Meredith Matthews were sworn in to public office. A new Mayor and Vice-Mayor were also elected.

After the formal swearing in, new members of the Council then elected Councilmember Sarah Schaefer to be Mayor and Councilmember Meredith Matthews to serve as Vice-Mayor.

The City’s Municipal Code requires the Arcata City Council to select the mayor and vice-mayor annually at a special meeting held each December. Both Mayor Schaefer and Vice-Mayor Matthews will serve in their new roles for one year. The mayor of Arcata’s duties include presiding at Council meetings, representing the Council at community events and performing other ministerial duties. The vice-mayor will preside in the event of the mayor’s absence.

Of her appointment, Mayor Schaefer said, “I’m excited to serve in this new capacity and to keep giving back to my community I’ve been in so long and I’m also looking forward to our powerhouse all-female Council. Congratulations to both Meredith and Kimberley and I look forward to continuing to serve with them.”

The next Arcata City Council meeting will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 21. For more information on how to view the meeting or make public comment, visit cityofarcata.org.

ARCATA CITY COUNCIL MOVES TO UPHOLD MEASURE M

Arcata, CA, December 16, 2022 – Following the public special meeting to swear in newly elected Arcata City Councilmembers, the City Council met in a closed session to discuss and ultimately uphold Measure M.

The Arcata City Council met in closed session to discuss anticipated litigation resulting from the passage of Measure M. Measure M was a voter ballot initiative that creates a policy and practice on City flag poles to fly the Earth flag above other flags on the pole. The measure was approved by Arcata voters on Tuesday, Nov. 8 by a vote of 3,051 to 2,781 votes.

The full language of what was approved by the voters is, “It shall be the official policy and practice of the City of Arcata to fly the Earth flag at the top of all city-owned flagpoles, above the flag of the United States of America and the California flag, and any other flags that the City may choose to display.”

Proponents of the measure reasoned that it is logical. The argument in favor of the measure read in part, “The Earth includes our nation, which includes our state. The order on the flagpole should reflect that reality. Flags are symbols. Accelerating climate change threatens all life on Earth, so we need to make the health of the Earth our first priority and take meaningful action to slow and reverse global warming. We can only have a healthy nation if we have a healthy Earth. Let’s remind ourselves of this focus by flying the Earth flag on top.”

Opponents of the measure contended that “...the proponents failed to disclose that implementation will be a violation of the State of California’s Display of Flag codes as noted in California Government Code sections 430 to 439 in our opinion... If this measure passes there is the potential for significant legal expenses if a citizen seeks redress and the city decides to challenge the state. General law cities are restricted from overruling state laws.”

The City Attorney’s Impartial Analysis outlined in part, “The City of Arcata is a ‘general law’ city, organized as provided in the California Government Code. As a general law city, Arcata is subject to all constraints imposed by California law. At least two California statutes govern the manner in which a general law city is required to fly multiple flags when a city chooses to fly them together on a single flagpole. These laws require a general law city to always fly the United States flag at the top of the flagpole with no other flag above it.”

To place the motion in context Mayor Schaefer further shared, “We wanted to honor the important ballot initiative process and the will of our voters. To that end, staff rearranged the flags this morning. Simultaneously, we recognized that the vote had a very small margin. Many people, including the City Attorney’s independent analysis, concluded that the measure was incongruent with State Code. Many residents have expressed their concerns over the potential cost to defend the measure from an outside lawsuit. To address these concerns the City Council has initiated a court action to efficiently review the ballot initiative and to assist the City in resolving the questions of its legality in relation to state flag code.”

For more information, please visit the city webpage, cityofarcata.org/1008/Measure-M-Information or contact the City Managers Office at (707) 822-5953.

Cannabis Hub | Wiyot Tribe believes ancestral territory could hold gravesites

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affirmed the county’s cannabis regulations, which include prohibiting cannabis cultivation within 600 feet of tribal resources unless there’s agreement to waive or reduce the setback.

The seven-acre project site is within the 70 acres of the former Sierra Pacific mill in the Manila area. Three tribes have weighed in – The Wiyot Tribe, the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria and the Blue Lake Rancheria.

The Wiyot Tribe is the only one of the three opposing the project. Since the county’s cannabis ordinance doesn’t specify what should happen if there’s disagreement among tribes, the board was asked to confirm that a single tribe’s stance can trigger the setback requirement.

Ted Hernandez, the Wiyot tribe’s chair and cultural director, said it’s uncertain “what’s left under the cement” at the site and “everything was bulldozed into the (Mad River) Slough” over a century ago.

“But we may have gravesites still there,” he continued.

The Wiyot Tribal Council has voted to declare the site a tribal cultural resource and Hernandez said the tribe has definitive say because the project site is within its ancestral territory.

He acknowledged that The Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria is a “cousin tribe” with Wiyot descendants but “once you leave the Wiyot Tribe, you don’t speak for the Wiyot Tribe.”

Hernandez added, “When it comes to Wiyot territory, this is our

ancestral territory and we are gonna protect our territory.”

Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council Member John D. McGinnis said the project site “is not a cultural resource to our tribe because it’s inaccessible” due to being previously developed as a lumber mill.

He also described the site as a shared ancestral territory between the three tribes and supported the project as “a massive opportunity for the county.”

Jeff Meyer, the owner of the project site, said the applicants team proceeded under the impression that there were no tribal objections.

There are two former Wiyot villages on the property, with one outside of the planned development area and the other “under three feet

of asphalt that’s been rolled over for the last 60 years,” he continued. “Working together is what we need to do but to have approval and then over a year later to have it be denied ... you can’t function in the county that way, guys.”

The mill had 126 jobs and the cannabis hub would have 150 jobs, Meyer said, adding that “even 75 would benefit that eyesore out there now.”

Planning Director John Ford said an initial referral process didn’t raise any flags and the Wiyot tribe’s objection emerged during a more comprehensive California Environmental Quality Act review.

Supervisor Mike Wilson said he agrees with planning staff’s determination that the 600-foot setback can hold sway if a single tribe calls for it.

“I think that the staff’s interpre-

tation of the ordinance is correct – as uncomfortable as that may be,” he continued. “I don’t think we can negotiate this situation from the dais today.”

Wilson added that with over 1,000 cannabis permits administered so far, the setback requirement has only been an issue in one other case. Considering that, amending the rule isn’t necessary, he said.

Supervisors voted for a staff recommendation to “find that a single tribe can determine if there is a tribal cultural resource in this context,” with Supervisor Rex Bohn voting no due to the potential for further negotiation with and among the tribes.

The board also unanimously voted to later discuss other cannabis-related issues and formation of an ad hoc cannabis committee.

Craftsman | ‘These omissions... must be addressed and the DEIR recirculated’

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buildings with 964 student beds in mostly two-bedroom, two-bath apartment units.

Cal Poly Humboldt hopes to break ground on the project next month and have it completed by 2025.

The DEIR states that although the new housing will result in an “incremental increase in the number of service calls and place a greater demand on fire protection services, it would not result in the need for the construction of new fire protection facilities to maintain acceptable service ratios. AFD currently has sufficient facilities to adequately serve the population within its service area. Impacts would be less than significant.”

But according to the AFD letter, signed by AFD Board President Randy Mendosa, the DEIR’s analysis of fire service is inadequate and full of omissions and errors.

“The DEIR does not provide an adequate fire protection services baseline or adequately analyze potential impacts of substantially increased services needs and response to multi-story buildings and approximately 1,000 new student residents,” Mendosa stated in the letter. “These omissions... must be addressed and the DEIR recirculated.”

Some of the mistakes in the DEIR are mi-

nor, such as calling AFD the “Arcata City Fire Department.” While AFD serves Arcata, it is not part of the city government.

AFD is a special district and includes Arcata, McKinleyville, Manila, Bayside and Jacoby Creek. The DEIR states that the district responded to 2,500 calls in 2021, but Mendosa says the number is closer to 3,300 calls.

While the DEIR states that the district has adequate facilities to serve the new student housing, Mendosa points out that the Mad River Station on Janes Road is at capacity and would require a complete remodel to house an additional fire engine or ladder truck.

AFD no longer has a ladder truck and would have to depend on Humboldt Bay Fire to arrive with its ladder truck stationed in Eureka.

The district, Mendosa stated, has inadequate staffing to respond to a fire in multi-story buildings like the ones proposed by Cal Poly Humboldt.

For a fire at a single-family dwelling, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends a minimum of 14 firefighters arriving within eight minutes to safely carry out fire suppression operations. For a seven-story-tall building, the NFPA recommends 25 to 38 firefighters.

“With a daily staffing of seven firefighters,

AFD relies on mutual aid for all fires,” Mendosa wrote. “Due to distance, and the fact that most of AFD’s mutual aid partners are volunteers... a total of 16 firefighters may be available on scene within 13 minutes and 38 firefighters may be available on scene in over 40 minutes.”

“AFD has stated that even with the automatic and mutual aid resources that would augment district response to a fire in the building type proposed in the DEIR, there is not enough available firefighting resources on-duty and immediately available to evacuate and rescue occupants and contain a fire,” Mendosa stated.

In its DEIR, Cal Poly Humboldt argues that the proposed housing project would have “Less than significant” impacts on AFD.

“Although the project may result in an incremental increase in the number of service calls and place a greater demand on fire protection services, it would not result in the need for the construction of new fire protection facilities to maintain acceptable service ratios. AFD currently has sufficient facilities to adequately serve the population within its service area. Impacts would be less than significant,” states the DEIR.

But Mendosa points out that the project site – now occupied by a few small businesses

– would see a 65-fold increase in population that the district would need to serve.

“Significant increases in service population or the introduction of new building types that require special operations or levels of response that exceed current staffing, and changes in the distribution of development can impair response requiring additional services and facilities,” Mendosa wrote. “The proposed project does not change the distribution of development, but substantially increases the service population for the AFD and introduces building types for which structure fires would far exceed current staffing levels, equipment and training.”

Asked about the fire district’s letter, Cal Poly Communications Specialist Grant Scott-Goforth states “Arcata Fire District comments were received and the University will offer a point-by-point response as part of the final environmental impact report, pursuant to the normal CEQA process.”

Mendosa shared his letter at the Dec. 13 meeting of the AFD Board of Directors. Mendosa said that he and Director Eric Loudenslager, along with Fire Chief Justin McDonald, have met with State Senator Mike McGuire and Assemblyman Jim Wood to discuss the district’s concerns.

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CHAMBER GREATS Above, 2023 Board Chair Roger James, Gelinas James, Inc., Arcata Chamber CEO Anisa Escobedo and 2022 Board Chair Cyril Oberlander, Cal Poly, Humboldt. Below, Former Arcata Chamber Executive Director Molly Steele and Board Treasurer Mark Loughmiller, president/CEO, Kokatat, at the Arcata Chamber of Commerce.

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ARCATA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ARCATA – Arcata Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors recognized Molly Steele, bookkeeper, Solutions for Small Businesses (six years) and Mark Loughmiller, president/CEO, Kokatat (10 years) for their contributions to the chamber on Dec. 15. A lifetime membership was awarded to Molly, and a 10-year service plaque was awarded to Mark.

A welcome was extended to 2023 Board Chair Roger James, Gelinas James, Inc. and thanks were expressed to 2022 Board Chair Cyril Oberlander, Cal Poly, Humboldt for his service to the chamber. Our members can look forward to a year filled with new programs and expansion.

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WHA-NIKAS' FIREHOUSE FESTIVITIES
HOLIDAY CHEER The Wha-Nikas, Blue Lake's Women's Club, enjoyed a Holiday Dinner at the Blue Lake Firehouse on Dec. 8. The Wha-Nikas were organized in 1908 and joined the General Federation of Women's Clubs in 1910. This service organization supports the Blue Lake Museum, the Blue Lake Elementary School, the local Resource Center and many other worthy causes. Recently they've been sewing blankets for Project Linus.

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CROP OF CADETS. The Basic Law Enforcement Academy graduates. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Democracy is calling – are you going to be part of it, or just, like, sit there?

CITY OF ARCATA
ARCATA – The City of Arcata invites qualified community members to apply for its current unfilled positions and upcoming vacancies on the Planning Commission, Economic Development Committee, Public Safety Committee, Transactions and Use Tax Oversight Committee and Wetlands and Creeks Committee. Commissioners and Committee Members are vital community members and experts who help to decide Arcata's present and future. This is done by providing guidance to the City Council on various topics related to the specific subject matter of the commission or committee. Planning Commissioners also make decisions directly related to city planning and community development in Arcata. There are currently several unfilled vacancies and additional Planning Commission terms are ex-

piring on Friday, March 31. Interested community members are encouraged to apply for the role of their interest. Candidates who are interested in a committee with no current vacancies are encouraged to fill out the general application form and will be notified when a vacancy arises. For more information and to apply, please visit cityofarcata.org/329/Vacancies-Applications or call the City Managers Office at (707) 822-5953.

Any additional questions can be answered by calling the Public Safety Training Center at (707) 476-4334. Present at the graduation were members of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, Eureka Police Department, Fortuna Police Department, Crescent City Police Department, Yurok Tribal Police, CR Trustee Colleen Mullery, CR Trustee Carol Matthews, CR Trustee Sally Biggin, CR Trustee Lorraine Pedrotti and Basic Law Enforcement Academy Director Michael Perkins.

COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS
EUREKA – College of the Redwoods held its 130th Basic Law Enforcement Academy graduation on Friday, Dec. 16 in the CR Theater. Eleven cadets participated in this class ceremony, and all of the cadets have been hired by various law enforcement departments. The next cadre of cadets will begin training on Monday, Jan. 9, 2023. Anyone interested in attending a future Academy should go to the Basic Academy website, redwoods.edu/cte/qj/blea.

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A message to families about
INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE
Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year has begun.

For those interested in obtaining an interdistrict transfer, please contact your school district of residence to begin the process.

This process is for both new and renewal requests. For more information, including application deadlines, contact your school district of residence.

If you are unsure of your district of residence, visit hcoe.org/district-locator.



Humboldt County Office of Education

Mensaje a las familias sobre
LA ASISTENCIA INTERDISTRICTAL
La inscripción para el año escolar 2023-2024 ha comenzado.

Si está interesado en obtener una transferencia interdistrital, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia para comenzar el proceso.

Este proceso es tanto para solicitudes nuevas como de renovación. Para obtener más información, por ejemplo, sobre los plazos de solicitud, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia.

Si no está seguro de conocer su distrito de residencia, consulte en hcoe.org/district-locator.



Humboldt County Office of Education

Citizen science effort needs your help

CoCoRaHS

HUMBOLDT – Do you ever wonder how much rain-fall you received from a recent thunderstorm? How about snowfall during a winter storm? If so, an important volunteer weather observing program needs your help!

The Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow network, or CoCoRaHS, is looking for new volunteers across northwest California. This grassroots effort is part of a growing national network of home-based and amateur rain spotters with a goal of providing a high density precipitation network that will supplement existing observations.

CoCoRaHS came about as a result of a devastating flash flood that hit Fort Collins, Colorado, in July 1997. A local severe thunderstorm dumped over a foot of rain in several hours while other portions of the city had only modest rainfall.

The ensuing flood caught many by surprise and caused \$200 million in damages. CoCoRaHS was born in 1998 with the intent of doing a better job of mapping and reporting intense storms. As more volunteers participated, rain, hail, and snow maps were produced for every storm showing fascinating local patterns that were of great interest to scientists and the public.

Recently, drought reporting has also become an important observation within the CoCoRaHS program across the nation. In fact, drought observations from CoCoRaHS are now being included in the National Integrated Drought Information System.

How does one become a CoCoRaHS observer? Go to the CoCoRaHS website above and click on the “Join CoCoRaHS” emblem on the upper right side of the main website. After registering, take the simple online training, order your 4 inch rain gauge and start reporting!

To obtain a rain gauge volunteers can order through the CoCoRaHS website (cocorahs.org) for about \$35 plus shipping. We do have a limited number of rain gauges to give out if you are able to be a regular observer and there is a limited number of observers currently in your area. Apply with this form.

Observations are available on maps and reports for the public to view within five minutes of submitting them. The process takes only five minutes a day, but the impact to the community is tenfold: By providing high quality, accurate measurements, the observers are able to supplement existing networks and provide useful results to scientists, resource managers, decisionmakers and other users.

If you have any questions, feel free to email Matthew Kidwell at the NWS in Eureka at matthew.kidwell@noaa.gov or call at (707) 443-6484 and talk to Matthew Kidwell, Scott Carroll or Ed Swafford.

Melanie Williams earns Apple Pin Award

EUREKA CITY SCHOOLS

EUREKA – On Thursday, Dec. 15, 2022, the Governing Board at Eureka City Schools recognized Melanie Williams with an Apple Pin Award for her dedication to students and families at Alice Birney Elementary School. The Board recognizes various employees and community members throughout the year. Since 1992, over 300 individuals have been awarded the Apple Pin by the Eureka City Schools Governing Board.

“The Apple Pin Award is a recognition of the hard work our staff and community members are doing within our local schools,” said Eureka City School’s Board President Mike Duncan. “We have a wonderful team at Eureka City Schools and we value the work being done each and every day.”



HUGS! Principal Kristin Sobilo and Melanie.

Alice Birney Elementary Principal Kristin Sobilo notes, “Melanie Williams has been an active part of the entire county’s biking community for over 20 years! Alice Birney has benefited from Melanie’s leadership around biking for over 10 years. Alice Birney nominated Ms. Williams for the Apple Pin Award for her leader-



RECOGNITION Arcata’s Melanie Williams steps forward to receive her Apple Pin Award.

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ship, time, and connection she brings to our bike club.”

As part of the nomination process, Principal Sobilo provided the following synopsis of Melanie’s work at Alice Birney Elementary: “Melanie is steadfast in her belief about biking as a healthy form of exercise. She sees this as a service to others to share this love. A fleet of bikes provides our students with equipment to ride. Melanie works with local agencies and businesses to bring this state of the art equipment to Alice Birney students. She attains helmets, provides snacks and water for students, and inspires the advisory teachers to apply their leadership skills. Melanie has trained our club advisor on the steps to take to run a bike club. She works with outside organizations to provide trips to local parks. This year, she has coordinated over four large field trips to Eureka’s landmarks. Melanie works with classroom teachers to incorporate the bike club into their science and social studies curriculum. She has worked with numerous principals and advisory teachers to bring this special skill to our students. We are very blessed to have Melanie. She is humble and gives without recognition.”

Historical Background on Apple Pin Awards

Apple Pins have been an award of gratitude given by the board for more than 25 years. This award has recognized those who have gone above and beyond as parent and community volunteers, good neighbors, Student board representatives, and blue collar, white collar, confidential, administrative and certificated employees.



TEACHABLE MOMENT Melanie addresses students.

Marimba One patents tree-saving alternative

MARIMBA ONE

ARCATA – Marimba One, manufacturer of the world’s finest percussion keyboards and mallets, announces that on Oct. 25, 2022 they were granted a patent for a new groundbreaking synthetic acoustic material.

It was developed by Ron Samuels and the team at Marimba One over a 10-year period.

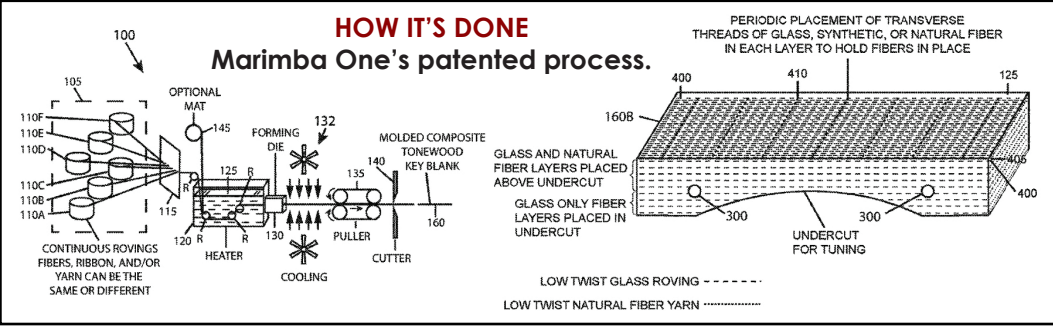
The new invention can be formulated to sound just like Honduras Rosewood. It can also be formulated to sound like other tonewood, such as the spruce types of guitars and violins, or the maple backs of violins and cellos; in addition to a broader ray of other musical tonewoods that each have their own unique sound signature.

This means that high-quality musical instruments cannot be made without relying on endangered woods, such as Rosewood and other sought after tonewood.

Utilizing their new patent acoustic material, marimba, one plans to scale their manufacturing process to make tone bars for percussion

keyboards.

“The purpose of this new material is so that it can be used as a musically viable replacement for precious in endangered Tonewood, such as Rosewood,” Samuels said. “Marimba One currently uses Honduras Rosewood for its tone bars on its world-renowned marimbas and xylophones. Marimba One is able to create a very broad range of sound characteristics from their invention, just as an artist does when they mix colors for a painting.”



VIA UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

The new invention in patent-speak

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent No.: US11,482,201B1, filed May 13, 2021; granted Oct. 25, 2022. Materials and fabrication method for percussive musical instruments

Inventors: Robert A. Heard, Pittsburgh, Penn.; Ronald Lewis Samuels, Arcata, Calif; Steve McHaney, Arcata, Calif.

A method of making tonebars and other components for musi-

cal instruments comprises using a pultrusion apparatus to embed or coat glass, plant-based, and/or other fibers in or with a thermosetting, thermoplastic, or catalyzed polymer matrix.

The coated fibers are pulled into a continuous bar in a curing and forming die. The bar is then cut into predetermined lengths.

Each length is then carefully tuned by cutting and shaping so that when it is struck, it will emit musical notes on a chromatic musical scale.

In one aspect, the fibers and resin are selected to produce tonebars for marimbas and xylophones that emulate the sound obtained from highly desirable Honduran rosewood at a fraction of the cost and environmental impact associated with this wood.

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The stigma around workplace mental health

Even though there has been some progress made to normalize seeking treatment for mental health issues, the stigma surrounding mental health treatment is still very present in our society, including in the workplace.

Often, we don’t understand what people are going through with their mental health if we don’t have firsthand experience from our own mental health issues, or from loved ones. This can lead to stereotyping and prejudice, and when we start saying people with depression and anxiety, for example, are “unstable and threatening,” those labels go a long way to discourage other people who are struggling with mental health issues from seeking treatment for themselves. They start to fear being negatively labeled and treated differently.

According to psychiatry.org: “A 2019 national poll from the American Psychiatric Association (APA) found that mental health stigma is still a major challenge in

the workplace. About half of workers were concerned about discussing mental health issues at their jobs. More than one in three were concerned about retaliation or being fired if they sought mental health treatment.”

“More than half of people with mental illness don’t receive help for their disorders. Often, people avoid or delay seeking treatment due to concerns about being treated differently or fears of losing their jobs...”

“Stereotypes and prejudices: People with mental illness are dangerous, incompetent, are to blame for their disorder, and are unpredictable.”

Sometimes these stigmas can lead to fear mongering when one employee who isn’t experienced or educated about working with people with mental health issues, convinces other staff members they’re in danger, and that can be incredibly stressful to a person. You’re also potentially retraumatizing people who’ve been in dangerous situations before. Everyone

handles stress differently. Some people may become severely traumatized by that, when there’s no real danger present. The person in question likely just needs help and someone to care enough to ask them how they’re doing.

If you feel someone in your workplace is struggling with mental health issues, the appropriate response is to help them get treatment.

Trying to force them out of the workplace is discriminatory and sends a horrible message to other employees who may be struggling with mental health issues.

Let’s work together as a community to continue to erase the stigma around taking care of our mental health.

We all need to look out for each other and encourage professional treatment for ourselves, our friends and our families, when we’re struggling with our mental health.

There are so many resources to help you and your workplace become more educated and aware, including Psychiatry.org, and our local chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) found at nami-humboldt.org.



MENTAL HEALTH Brett Watson

OPINION

❖ Sign your letter to the *Mad River Union* with a real name and a city of origin, plus a phone number (which won't be published) for identity verification and send it to opinion@madriverunion.com. Also, make paragraphs, spell check and don't capitalize random words. And another thing: don't use British punctuation where commas and periods are left outside quotation marks to fend for themselves like "this". UGH! BAD! WRONG! Just say no to that, since we only have to change it anyway. Instead, punctuate like "this," and strike a giant blow for inclusivity.



News item: Arcata voters elect five extraordinary women to lead them

Ideas for sheltering

Thank you for the article concerning the death of Nancy Ann Barnes, the houseless woman who died last Monday beneath the office window of our city manager at city hall. This happened in the same week that the city was preparing to issue a proclamation in honor of International Human Rights Day. Hopefully, the irony in that is not lost on anyone.

I acknowledge that there are thoughtful, well-intentioned people among our city leaders and that the City has accomplished a lot, like the Home Key projects.

It's fantastic that 60 formerly houseless folks now have permanent housing at the Grove. (Incidentally, I really enjoyed that article and the photos that accompanied it.)

But the wheels of bureaucracy turn so slowly that more houseless individuals are likely to die before they can get the help they need. On average, three unhoused folks die every month in Humboldt County.

When I've interacted with city council members, I've gotten the feeling that they're content to rest on their laurels, since they seem strangely resistant if you suggest they do more. Yes, they've accomplished a lot, but more is needed if we're to save lives!

Arcata lacks an extreme weather shelter, warming stations or a sanctioned site for tent camping. We finally got a site for car camping, but nowhere for people in tents to safely sleep. This proposal has been kicked around for at least a decade, but the wheels of government move at a glacial pace.

A small group of us have asked the city to open up public buildings such as the MLK Community Center or the D Street Neighborhood Center as an extreme weather shelter and/or warming stations, but so far we haven't been able to get it on the agenda, so people will continue to die. You won't hear about them unless they happen to die at city hall. This is unacceptable.

There are people sleeping on the sidewalk along the fence surrounding the Red

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Roof Inn (the other Home Key project). Unfortunately, it's not slated to open for several months. So, during the coldest months of the year, these folks are left to fend for themselves. Think of it, if this had been better planned, we could have gotten over 100 people off the streets, and saved even more lives!

Also, nobody can tell us if the unhoused folks who live in our town or in Valley West will even get on the list to be housed there. As far as we can tell, there is little or no outreach to these folks. And there are no services for the unhoused in Valley West (outside of the Home Key program), not even a sack lunch!

Finally, the city has voted to sell some property on West End Road, designated as "surplus property," to a manufacturing firm. The state requires that cities sell their surplus properties for affordable housing, so why are they selling it to a business?

Five years ago, Nezzie Wade and Edie Jessup of AHHA gave a presentation to the Arcata City Council on tiny house villages. They had their eye on that property because it's also zoned for use as housing for the homeless.

Around the same time, I volunteered along with Nezzie Wade to serve on Arcata's Housing Equity Workgroup. We broached the idea to city officials then, but it went nowhere. Yet many cities across California and the U.S. have embraced tiny house villages as a solution to homelessness. The reason is that there is not enough affordable housing available for the lowest-income folks. People with extremely low incomes or no income can't even afford housing that is designated "affordable," and in any case, it's in short supply.

But there is an innovative solution that many cities have come to embrace as a best practice, and that is tiny house villages. The houses can be built fairly rapidly at a relatively cheap cost so that rents are kept affordable even for those in the lowest-income brackets, and they can be built

with volunteer labor.

Sadly, Arcata which views itself as progressive and forward thinking is behind the curve on this one. In fact, a local housing advocate told me that she has given up on Arcata. The City is too hostile to innovative solutions and "outside the box" thinking. Rather, it prefers to funnel our tax dollars into the pockets of developers. There's another irony for you. Developers only care about generating profits, not about the people of this city.

Let's think about real solutions! We could be working with non-profits like AHHA or Housing Humboldt to acquire land for coops, land trusts and tiny house villages. Instead, we're stuck on the Gateway Gentrification Plan, which is likely to drive up rents. There is no provision for houseless folks in the Gateway project. (Susan Ornelas has a better plan in my view.)

Arcata, you were once bold, creative and open to innovative solutions. What happened? Let's reclaim that legacy and be open to solutions like tiny houses, etc, as other cities are doing. All that's lacking is the political will.

Lisa Pelletier
Arcata

The Ukraine example

Winter is here.

There is an urgent need for adequate extreme weather shelters (EWS). Including for people with dogs.

There could be a strictly enforced rule that all dogs be on a 6- or 8-foot leash. I'm sure something could be worked out. There could be a separate part of the shelter for those with dogs.

It is my understanding that the safe parking parcel on Samoa Boulevard has a large empty building. Could this be used for EWS, and also as a warming station during the day? If Ukraine has established warming centers in a war zone, surely we can.

I applaud the ACC for what they have accomplished so far.

There is a lot of new federal and state money available now, so I hope they will

continue to work diligently to develop effective solutions.

Shelters are necessary now but a more permanent solution is needed.

One possible solution which has worked in many towns all over the states, including California and which

Nezzi Wade of Affordable Homeless Housing Alternatives (AHHA) has for a number of years had the hope of establishing is a community of tiny houses (Quonset huts could also be used).

Residents that have a job or social security income would pay a percentage for their rent. Necessary work such as keeping the community clean, etc., would be the responsibility of the residents with some oversight.

A major barrier to establishing such communities is the onerous regulations that are required by the state. Let's petition our senator to get these regulations relaxed.

The City of Arcata has city owned property that is zoned for affordable housing.

In a letter to the Arcata City Council I requested them not to sell these parcels off without putting it on the agenda so that the public can weigh in.

I was assured by one of the council members that "Everything the city does is agendized for public input."

If you are an Arcata resident, watch for this topic to be put on the agenda so that, whatever your opinion, you can have your say.

Let's keep the conversation going.

Gillian Sparrow
Arcata resident

Kimberley unleashed

The election of Kimberly White to the City Council was a big plus for Arcata. She has been an active participant helping Arcata for years behind the scenes.

Now she will be able to use her expertise and drive on the front line to help Arcata succeed!

Sincerely,
Paul Nicholson
Bayside

Citizen observations that might otherwise elude Craftsman's masterminds

Note: The Craftsman's Mall draft Environmental Impact Report includes several letters from area agencies, groups and citizens expressing observations. Here are a few. Read them all at facilitymgmt.humboldt.edu/craftsman-student-housing. – Ed.

Traffic safety

My major concern is for the safety of the students entering and leaving this new housing facility.

I have spoken to the owner, Travis of Mad River Lumber, Karen Deimer, the Arcata Transportation Committee, the Arcata Planning Committee, Micheal Fisher, Peter Kress and your previous Police Chief about my concerns.

1. The proposed Rails by Trails path will not be a safe corridor for students to travel to and from

Cal Poly Humboldt as currently planned. I have concerns about lighting and sight lines particularly where the path connects to Sunset Ave. Please observe where the path connects between the intersection and traffic circle. In Arcata's 2017 Central Traffic Study these two intersections will be severely impacted by the number of students at the new dorms and other student housing developments. Cal Poly Humboldt's new land acquisition is not addressed as student housing by the 2017 study. These two intersections will be more heavily impacted because of the increased numbers of students and or faculty.

2. When students realize the lack of safety at these two intersections they will then take Saint Louis Rd. and travel through an industrial zone along Saint Louis Road where log trucks, lumber trucks and a chip truck average 40

trips daily. There are no sidewalks and the lighting is minimal. In the 2017 traffic study it is noted that this is not a safe path for pedestrians or bicyclists.

I have proposed a new entrance with the city along a rerouted Saint Louis Road. That could include new sidewalks and lighting. It would also include a lighted trail from the southwest corner of the Mall property to the street below to allow students access to a market and city services.

The city is in the process of developing a new traffic plan that will be revisited every two years as new problems arise.

I am hoping that Cal Poly will be proactive in helping our city to deal with problems that will occur with the growth of Cal Poly Humboldt.

I am a Concerned Citizen and Chairman of the Arcata Public Safety Committee. I have lived

in the Sunset area of Arcata since 1974 and I am a graduate of H.S.U. This is an exciting time at Cal Poly as it expands its housing.

I am grateful for Cal Poly's increasing policing presence due to your expansion.

Thank You, **Fred Johansen**.

Rodents & erosion

We are late in getting our thoughts and concerns emailed to you.

One of the biggest concerns we have with the Craftsman Mall property plan is RODENTS!

Once tearing down of this building and area starts, the rodents and other pests will migrate elsewhere... mainly down towards the housing area just below the site, (Stromberg/Hilfiker), as well as the grade school, (Arcata Elementary).

Not dealing with this likely

invasion of disease-spreading rodents, as well as wasps, which can attack children and adults, is poor foresight. We strongly encourage that this be addressed.

The other is the impact on the hillside just above Maple Lane and east end of Stromberg. Although the development is to include a small food court in the housing project, there will be a number of students who will be hiking down to the small Westwood Shopping Centre... especially when they are being discouraged to not drive cars, which is a whole other unrealistic plan.

Without taking this into consideration, there will begin to be trespassing along with erosion of the hillside.

Thank you for allowing comments from concerned Arcata residents.

Anne Carlisle and Alfred Eanni
Arcata

SCENE

The Appliances: Plugged in 30 years later

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION
HUMBOLDT – It's a new urban legend.

There are at least three stories about the finding of the cassette tape of The Appliances, a local group that played a sizzling set at the International Beer Garden in Arcata on New Year's Eve, 1990.

One version has the lost cassette being found in the late Tim Gray's car after he had died. Another version places the cassette in the car but found while Gray was still alive. It all adds to the mystique of a show from 30 years ago.

Russ Cole, sound man extraordinaire, was there and tells the true tale.

"Tim was doing the sound and he recorded it on a 90 minute cassette. When the band came back for an encore, he looked and noticed that the tape was going to run out so he flipped it over. He forgot to turn the tape player off, so the first five songs were lost," Cole explained. "It was the full moon and those first songs were all about the moon."

But the tape had captured a moment in time.

"I copied that cassette right after the show and gave Tim back the master. I hadn't written on the spine but I folded the set list inside. It was buried in a box in a closet."

When he found it, years later, Cole, along with Landen, took the tape to Tim who transferred it to his computer. "It was the last recording work he



FLASHBACK Fred Neighbor, Joyce Hough, Tim Gray, Gary Davidson, original keyboardist/accordion player Brian Hurliman, Jeff Landen and Paul DeMark playing the bass guitar.

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ances.

These musicians shared their thoughts on then and now.

Reflecting on the 1990 show, Neighbor was philosophical. "It was an uncanny thing. The music gods said 'We'll let them get this one.' It's amazing how durable music is," he added. "Practicing these songs 30 years later and they are wonderful songs."

Gary Davidson, bass player for The Appliances, also played in the Humboldt Calypso Band that night. "The band was just on fire," he said. "We opened for the Calypso band and it was a high energy Appliances set." Davidson, in true Humboldt tradition, currently plays with five bands: Home Cookin', Timbata, Old Dog, Skullfetti, and Tuna Melt, a Hot Tuna cover band. Davidson had always wanted to play with Hough and Neighbor.

"I first saw Caledonia in 1982 and it was a dream for me to play with them. My dream came true with The Appliances," he said. (Caledonia was one of many Hough/Neighbor collaborations over the years, ranging from Freddy and The Starliners through The Whole Enchilada, Night Train, The Joyce Hough Band, and Home Cookin'.)

Davidson was not alone among the group with crediting Gray for the amazing New Year's Eve show. "I listen to the tone of that bass (on the CD) and I know that had a lot to do with how Timmy mixed the sound."

Landen, who has played with the Bayou Swamis for the last 20 years, reminisced about The Appliances. "We were all playing a lot and had

played together and we were all younger and in good shape," he said. Landen was a good friend of the late Brian Hurliman. "He had a lot of raw talent and he practiced a lot. You'd go to his house at two in the morning and he'd be playing piano."

Landen lauded Hurliman's musical courage. "He taught himself the accordion and he'd go out on a musical limb, thinking, if it breaks, so what?"

On the CD, introducing a song by South African composer Johnny Clegg, Hough told the crowd, "That's one of the best things that happened in 1990, seeing Nelson Mandela walk out of prison." Hearing that now, puts the New's Year show into a moment of time. Landen said, "I remember when I got the news about that. It was a touchstone for me."

DeMark, who toured for years with Sunnyland Slim, is looking forward to this reunion. "I'm really excited and looking forward to playing with all my friends again."

The new musician to the group, Dave Ryan, plays keyboards with The Low Notes and wants to do justice to the songs. "As I've been having to learn the songs I've gotten such an appreciation for the talent and how well they played that night. I'm not trying to exactly fill Brian's shoes; I'm trying to be a capable guest."

Neighbor talked about the upcoming show. "It will be kind of sweet to play in a context with the old compadres. There are so many people who have played a role in my development and love of music. Almost everyone I've ever played with is in my thoughts when I play now."

That will most certainly include Tim Gray and Brian Hurliman.

The CDs will be on sale at the event. Russ Cole will be in charge of sound.

The Arcata Playhouse is located at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata. For information and tickets, visit playhousearts.org



OH, WHAT A NIGHT The Appliances rocked the International Beer Garden in 1990.

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did," Cole said. (Gray died in 2021 from a rare brain disease.) "He mastered it for the CD."

Making the CD has brought The Appliances back together to play for a CD release party at the Arcata Playhouse on Friday, Dec. 30 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the event is a benefit for Playhouse Arts.

Getting back together are original Appliances Joyce Hough, Fred Neighbor, and Gary Davidson from Home Cookin'; Paul DeMark from the Delta Nationals; and Jeff Landen from the Bayou Swamis. Dave Ryan, keyboardist from the Delta Nationals will join the new lineup in place of Brian Hurliman, the late keyboardist and accordion player for The Appli-

Energy to spare: Appliances CD electrifies!

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION
HUMBOLDT – This CD is my new kitchen favorite. Sorry, Old Dog. Sorry, Delta Nationals.

CDs by those two local groups have been my constant companions in the kitchen. Have to bake three rum cakes? No problem. Put the Nats on and get mixing and dancing. Need to make vegan and regular cornbread for two, yes, two, different turkey stuffings? Old Dog leads the way.

But a new CD is in the house. *The Appliances: Live at the International Beer Garden, Arcata, New Year's Eve, 1990* is so high energy I hardly need to turn on the oven, the electric mixer, or even the coffee maker. The Appliances do it all for me.

Joyce Hough's sultry voice starts it off with *Love Letter* as Brian Hurliman's keyboards swirl around her. The next cut features Jeff Landen's vocal on *Valerie*, a Richard Thompson original. Hurliman's accordion is as strong as another vocalist, knocking out toe-tapping riffs.

Steady Rock lets us hear the group's drummer, Paul DeMark, add vocals to his toolkit.

Not only does Fred Neighbor sing the Elvis tune, *The Latest Flame*, but he introduces the song in character. It's hilarious and sweet. Neighbor nails it. "Elvis is doing his laundry in Sunny Brae."

Landen says on tape, "When you have an accordion in the band, you have to play a polka." He has obliged with a tune he wrote, *Hello, How Ya Doing*. This is a live recording and the polka dancers almost burst out of the player.

Raindrops may be my favorite on the list but, hey, I've only listened to the CD eleven times. It's that combination

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of Hough's deep, deep voice and the guys (Charles Horn, Landen, and maybe sound man Tim Gray) singing backup so high and well that at first I thought how did they get those old lady backup singers from the Melvin Seals Band to sit in? The ska accompaniment is infectious. When Hough's voice soars over the backup lines it's enough to blow out all the circuits in my microwave.

There are two Johnny Clegg songs on the CD. The first, *Dela*, has Hough's vocals accentuated by Hurliman's deft synthesized thumb piano. The second, *Rolling Ocean*, is filled with such hope that it makes me cry.

Landen shows off another one of his songwriting successes with *Open Heart*.

Hurliman drives his keyboards through *Searching*, giving Hough all the support she needs to shine. The band members outdo themselves with backup singing again.

The Crush, a duet with Hough and Gray, is just perfect. Hard to say anything about this winner without choking up.

Cool Jerk ends the CD but it could play on an endless loop for all I care. The musicians are having so much fun, improvising on such classics as *Tequila*, *Working in a Coal Mine*, and oh my god, what gets me dancing for sure, *Land of a Thousand Dances*. Wilson! Pickett! is suddenly dancing in my kitchen with me.

At \$10, this CD is a bargain. Get one for your kitchen and one for your car. Plug into super fantastic energy anytime with The Appliances.

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE A Holiday Evening with Canary and the Vamp will take place Friday, Dec. 23 at the Arcata Playhouse at 1251 Ninth Street in Arcata. Come enjoy a warm winter evening to kick off this holiday season with Humboldt County's own vintage treasure, Canary and the Vamp. Canary and the Vamp has put together a few of their holiday favorites as well as the always evolving repertoire of swing, spaghetti western, Django-style jazz and Americana, so grab a specialty drink from the full bar or some hot cocoa and enjoy the glow of close harmonies and spirited instrumental prowess from one of Humboldt County's favorite groups. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$15 in advance by visiting arcataplayhouse.org or at the door. For more information, call (707) 822-1575.

COMING UP Diggin Dirt will perform at the Arcata Theatre Lounge on Friday, Dec. 30 and Saturday, Dec. 31 at 9 p.m. Amber Soul and Barking Dogma will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Saturday, Dec. 31 at 8 p.m. Rosewater will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Saturday, Jan. 7 at 8 p.m. Railroad Earth will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE IN ARCATA The Arcata Presbyterian Church, 670 11th St., will offer two services for Christmas Eve at 2 p.m. and at 6 p.m. The Christmas Eve community celebration will be the traditional Lessons (the nativity story read from Luke and Matthew) and Carols (all of your favorite Christmas carols). The early service will include music by members of the Northcoast Handbells. Molly Severdia, soprano, will perform *O Holy Night* and *Mary, Did You Know?* A brass quintet will add special Christmas arrangements throughout the evening. Choral director Gary Ross, will lead the congregation in the singing of the carols and children of all ages will enjoy ringing their bells during the singing of *Angels We Have Heard on High*. The bell in the bell tower will be rung to invite the community to enjoy the beauty of the sanctuary and to catch a sense of the reason for our hopefulness in God's abundant love. At the conclusion of the service the sanctuary will be darkened as individual candles are lit in preparation for the singing of *Silent Night*.

NEW YEAR'S DAY WALK On Sunday, Jan. 1, join leaders Lynn Jones and Barbara Reisman for Friends of the Arcata Marsh's special New Year's Day Walk at the marsh. If you'd like to set out on a 90-minute, rain-or-shine leg-stretcher, meet at 10 a.m. in front of the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center on South G Street. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

FUN AT THEW MARSH Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, January 7. Meet leader Elliott Dabill at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on Marsh ecology. Masks are strongly recommended inside the building. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.



KLAPPROTH'S ART The Redwood Art Association has recently received and curated an extensive lifetime of art created by the late Humboldt artist, Tom Klapproth. Tom's wife Judy donated over 369 original works to benefit the Wheel Chair Lift/Accessibility Fund for access for RAA. Curating this extensive collection was quite the endeavor beginning with the search for a safe storage space. After securing this from John Stroka and Sara Kimber the process began in earnest. A large U-Haul was carefully filled. Donning gloves to protect the art, member volunteers David, Debbie, Jeff, Bryanna and Sean loaded framed paintings, drawings, large canvases, pastels and other art pieces to their temporary location. Drawing on Cal Poly for assistance in museum cataloging was extremely helpful. The next task was photographing the artwork, creating categories and portfolios. This made it easier to access the art in order to measure and document each work to be entered into the Redwood Art Association Gallery website for this special event. Renowned artists Stock Schleuter and Jack Sewell selected over 70 unique works and provided a price/value for the Tom Klapproth art. This information assisted the group in completing the monumental task of pricing and the final work was scanned, categorized, arranged into portfolios and uploaded into our website. This amazing collection of Tom's work will be exhibited by the Redwood Art Association Gallery beginning Wednesday, Dec. 21. Viewing is Wednesdays and Fridays when the Gallery is open or by appointment with a docent. This exhibition will be available for viewing through Friday, Jan. 13. Redwood Art Association Gallery will also open from noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 7 for Arts Alive! RAA Gallery is located at 603 F St. in Eureka. For an appointment to view this exhibition visit appointment@redwoodart.net.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME COURTNEY MICHELLE PECORELLA SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV2201683
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: **COURTNEY MICHELLE PECORELLA**
To Proposed name: **IVY MICHELLE PECORELLA**
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: JAN. 6, 2023
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: NOV. 18, 2022
TIMOTHY A. CANNING Judge of the Superior Court
11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

KEVIN CRAIG LOPREST AKA KEVIN C LO PREST, AKA KEVIN LO PREST CASE NO.: PR2200339
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
KEVIN CRAIG LOPREST AKA KEVIN C LO PREST, AKA KEVIN LO PREST
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **COREY LOPREST** in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: **COREY LOPREST** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: JAN. 5, 2023
Time: 1:31 PM
Dept.: 3
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: **SOLE CASHMAN 303367 GALE & NIELSEN 2850 HARRIS ST. EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167**
12/7, 12/14, 12/21

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: CV220137
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: JOHN DENNEY, and DOES 1-50, inclusive **YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):** S66 - Lock Box Storage, LLC
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/self-help), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/self-help), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. ¡AVISO! Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso. El nombre y dirección de la corte es: Humboldt Superior Court 825 Fifth St. Eureka, CA 95501

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Dustin Owens, 244173 Owens & Ross 310 Third St. Eureka, CA 95501 Kim L. Bartleson, Clerk, by SHENAZ D, Deputy Date: Oct. 10, 2022 12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONALD PAUL KOSKI CASE NO.: PR2200346
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Dustin Owens, 244173 Owens & Ross 310 Third St. Eureka, CA 95501 Kim L. Bartleson, Clerk, by SHENAZ D, Deputy Date: Oct. 10, 2022 12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

RICHARD DALRYMPLE, III (CSB 197839) THE ZWERDLING LAW FIRM, LLP 937 6TH ST. EUREKA, CA 95501
Kim L. Bartleson, Clerk, by ANGEL R, Deputy Date: JAN. 27, 2022
STATEMENT OF DAMAGES CV2200137
TO: APRIL SHOWERS, THE ESTATE OF APRIL SHOWERS
Plaintiff: Teresa Miranda, seeks damages in the above-entitled action, as follows:
1. General Damages
a. Pain, suffering and inconvenience, \$3,000,000
2. Special damages
a. Medical expenses (to date), in excess of \$209,982.83
Date: November 22, 2022
S/RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE, III ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
STATEMENT OF DAMAGES CV2200137
TO: APRIL SHOWERS, THE ESTATE OF APRIL SHOWERS
Plaintiff: Frank Diaz, seeks damages in the above-entitled action, as follows:
1. General Damages
a. Pain, suffering and inconvenience, \$500,000
2. Special damages
a. Medical expenses (to date), To be determined
Date: November 22, 2022
S/RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE, III ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: CV2201509
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: JOHN DENNEY, and DOES 1-50, inclusive **YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):** S66 - Lock Box Storage, LLC
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Dustin Owens, 244173 Owens & Ross 310 Third St. Eureka, CA 95501 Kim L. Bartleson, Clerk, by SHENAZ D, Deputy Date: Oct. 10, 2022 12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONALD PAUL KOSKI CASE NO.: PR2200346
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Dustin Owens, 244173 Owens & Ross 310 Third St. Eureka, CA 95501 Kim L. Bartleson, Clerk, by SHENAZ D, Deputy Date: Oct. 10, 2022 12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:

DONALD PAUL KOSKI A Petition for Probate has been filed by **BRADY WALLACE CANFIELD** in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: **BRADY WALLACE CANFIELD** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: FEB. 2, 2023
Time: 1:31 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: **CHRIS JOHNSON HAMER ATTORNEY AT LAW STOKES, HAMER, KIRK & EADS LLP 381 BAYSIDE ROAD. SUITE A ARCATA, CA 95521 (707) 822-1771**
12/14, 12/21, 12/28

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JAMES GREGORY LADWIG

CASE NO.: PR2200344
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
JAMES GREGORY LADWIG
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **CATHERINE CHAPMAN & DAVID SUNDLAND** in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: **CATHERINE CHAPMAN & DAVID SUNDLAND** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an

interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: JAN. 26, 2023
Time: 1:31 PM
Dept.: 3
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: **ARTHUR NIELSEN GALE & NIELSEN 2850 HARRIS ST. EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167**
12/14, 12/21, 12/28

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294

Case Name: Skyler Welton, aka: Baby Boy Welton
Case No. JV2200142
1. To any and all unknown fathers and anyone claiming to be a parent of Skyler Welton, aka: Baby Boy Welton born on 9/4/2022 at Providence St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on 3/1/2022 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.

Check the court's website on how to appear at your hearing. There will be information posted on how to appear remotely if the court remains closed. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services' main phone line at (707) 445-6180.
3. At the hearing the court

will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.

5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.

6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.

7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.

ATTORNEY FOR: **CHILD WELFARE SERVICES SCOTT A. MILES, INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL #262695**
JOAN TURNER, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #152986
825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 445-7236
DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2022
Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy
12/21, 12/28, 1/4, 1/11

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T.S. No.: 2022-01152-CA
Property Address: 160 MELVIN LN, ARCATA, CA 95521

A.P.N.: 400-063-001

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED
注: 本文件包含一个信息摘要
참고사항: 본 첨부 문서에 정보 요약서가 있습니다

NOTA: SE ADIUNTA UN RESUMEN DE LA INFORMACIÓN DE ESTE DOCUMENTO
TALA: MAYROONG BUOD NG IMPORMASYON SA DOKUMENTONG ITO NA NAKALAKIP
LƯU Ý: KÈM THEO ĐẦY LÀ BẢN TRÌNH BÀY TÓM LƯỢC VỀ THÔNG TIN TRONG TÀI LIỆU NÀY

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 05/17/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Trustor: JOSHUA ARBAUGH, A SINGLE MAN
Duly Appointed Trustee: **Western Progressive, LLC**
Deed of Trust Recorded 05/24/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-17067-9 in book ---, page--- and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Humboldt County, California,
Date of Sale: 02/14/2023 at 10:00 AM

Place of Sale: **FRONT ENTRANCE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 825 5TH STREET, EUREKA, CA 95501**

Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 134,034.36

THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:

All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as:

More fully described in said Deed of Trust.

Street Address or other common designation of real property: 160 MELVIN LN, ARCATA, CA 95521
A.P.N.: 400-063-001

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above.

The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), and advances created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is:
\$ 134,034.36.

Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt.

If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on this property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you



THE MIGHTY MAD An aerial view of the Mad River shows the new Baduwa't estuary on the north bank.

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Baduwa't (Mad River) estuary restoration and public access project completed

California Trout, McKCSD, Wiyot Tribe and partners celebrate restored salmon habitat, new public access trail

CALIFORNIA TROUT

MCKINLEYVILLE – Nonprofit research and conservation organization California Trout, McKinleyville Community Services District (MCS D), the Wiyot Tribe, and other partners, have completed an important Baduwa't estuary restoration and reconnection project. The project opens up more than four acres of important habitat for imperiled salmon and steelhead while increasing public access to an inspiring coastal viewpoint overlooking the Baduwa't, also known as the Mad River.

“Fish habitat is really limited on the lower Baduwa't, so this project is going to make an outsized difference for juvenile salmon and steelhead,” said Mary Burke, CalTrout's North Coast regional manager. “We took an unused wastewater facility next to the river and turned it back into healthy habitat, while adding an inspiring new coastal overlook trail. The project is a terrific example of a local government agency, Tribal representatives, a nonprofit, and a suite of local firms that stewards a concept through to construction, working together to benefit the public and wildlife.”

Located in the tidal zone 3 miles from the river mouth, the project is on land owned by MCS D. The restoration project involved decommissioning two outdated, unused wastewater percolation ponds and restoring them to floodplain habitat, removing invasive plant species, revegetating with native plants and building channels to connect the new wetlands and ponds to the river.

The new public trail begins near the foot of School Road and includes an ADA-accessible loop with two coastal overlooks, outfitted with benches and a picnic table. A kiosk and set of interpretive panels will be added in 2023. Humboldt County constructed ADA parking and three asphalt parking spaces.

The site is easy to walk and bike to, as it is connected to the School Road Trail and the regional Hammond Trail – a part of the California Coastal Trail – that is used by local residents, Coastal Trail hikers, and touring cyclists. MCS D

wishes to remind the public that the site is open to dogs if they are on a leash, in order to be sure all users are comfortable relaxing at the viewpoints and to protect the local wildlife and newly seeded and planted landscape.

The Wiyot Tribe, whose ancestral territory encompasses the lower Baduwa't, are a critically important partner on this project, working with CalTrout, Redwood Coast Action Agency, and MCS D to develop interpretive signage for the new trails. The signs are being developed collaboratively to include Wiyot perspectives, including the Indigenous language and cultural importance of this landscape.

Signs will also provide information about the estuary and will wel-

come and orient people on many ways to connect to this site.

“The Wiyot Tribe is proud to work with our partners Cal Trout and McKinleyville Community Service District on the Baduwa't Estuary Restoration and Public Access project. We are happy to see it completed” Ted Hernandez, Wiyot tribal chairman stated. “This restoration project will help our salmon and steelhead population grow back to what it once was during the time of our ancestors. I am also looking forward to the public being able to use it so they can see why our ancestors called it home. Baduwa't is such a beautiful river and is very majestic. It is one of the Wiyot's lifelines. Baduwa't is just one of the rivers we care about as Wiyot people. We also



A Baduwa't side channel.



The north and south ends of Baduwa't pond.



The mouth of the Baduwa't channel.



Construction in progress.

look forward to caring for Baduwa't sister rivers in Wiyot's ancestral territory in the months and years to come. It is our responsibility that the creator has given us.”

The project increases the amount of overwintering habitat in the Baduwa't estuary for federally threatened Southern Oregon Northern California Coast coho salmon, federally threatened California Coastal Chinook salmon, and federally threatened Northern California steelhead. Improvements in habitat quality and quantity may also benefit other sensitive aquatic species, including tidewater goby, eulachon, and longfin smelt.

The Baduwa't drains 497 square miles over a length of roughly 100 miles to the Pacific Ocean, reaching the coast six miles north of Humboldt Bay. The river offers close to 50 miles of spawning and rearing habitat; however, logging, agriculture and flood control infrastructure have altered the estuary, severely limiting habitat that is needed to support juvenile salmon and steelhead during winter or on their way out to sea.

“It's one thing to read about this project in the newspaper, but we really hope people will come out and walk or bike the new trail, and we're happy to see that happening already,” added Patrick Kaspari, general manager of the McKinleyville Community Services District. “The intent is to someday have a trail all along this stretch of the river, not only to appreciate the restoration work that's been done here, but to facilitate people's connection to the river and support alternative transportation options. The Mad River/Baduwa't estuary

is a special, unique place and anything the District can do to facilitate people's connection to it is a very worthwhile endeavor.”

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The project benefited from the dedication of local expertise, including Northern Hydrology and Engineering, GHD; McBain Associates, SHN; local professionals who provided trail design, rare plants, and wildlife habitat assessments; Samara Restoration; the CA CCC and the Redwood Community Action Agency; and Cal Poly Humboldt. Also thanks to John Northmore Roberts and Associates for trails design work, and Kernan Construction and Miller Farms, local contractors whose teams moved the earth and installed the new access amenities.

CalTrout and other project partners will hold an opening ceremony for the project on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 10 a.m. at the new trailhead on School Road in McKinleyville.

About California Trout

California Trout partners with numerous government agencies, Tribes, and conservation groups to conduct research, habitat restoration and advocacy, to restore vibrance and abundance to California's freshwater ecosystems and to keep them that way for years to come. Founded in 1971, CalTrout has been working for more than 50 years to protect salmon and steelhead strongholds, reconnect fish habitat, integrate fish and working lands, steward source water areas, and restore estuaries.

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